

## R&D&i POLICY

The Sant Pau Biomedical Research Institute (IIB Sant Pau), in compliance with its founding purpose, aims to foster, promote and develop research, innovation, and scientific and technological knowledge in the fields of health and life sciences. Our approach embraces basic, clinical, epidemiological, public health, health economics, and health services perspectives. Thus, we encourage and foster all activities aimed at scientific excellence, a collaboration between different research teams, and the exchange of knowledge, advances and scientific progress. In this line, we are committed to promoting Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) following the RRI Plan of the IIB Sant Pau to create a socially valuable science that responds to current challenges.

At IIB Sant Pau, we are committed to research, development and innovation (R&D&i) as a driving force for change and transformation. We understand innovation as the introduction of new products or services aimed at improving people's health and well-being.

Our innovation model is based on the development of new therapies, materials and medical devices, diagnostic techniques and communication and information technologies applied to health, and their transfer for further exploitation. In this process, we have introduced RRI practices aimed at achieving sustainable, ethically acceptable and socially desirable results.

With the vision of becoming an internationally recognised institute in translational research, the management of IIB Sant Pau assumes the following basic premises:

- To encourage the participation of all institute staff in the institute's R&D&i system, facilitating their training, favoring internal communication, recognition of scientific and innovative merit, and improving R&D&i management processes to make them more efficient.
- To promote and establish the strategic guidelines for R&D&i in health, agreeing and implementing the corresponding multi-year strategic plans that must mark the institute's path, and orienting the institute's activities towards the achievement of the established strategic priorities.
- To enhance the impact of the institute's own R&D&i, through the dissemination and exploitation of scientific and technological results to society.
- To align investments with the strategy and provide the necessary resources to develop priority R&D&i activities.
- To promote cooperation and collaboration with other public and private entities.
- To orient the Institute's research and innovation towards the needs of society with the commitment to involve citizens and different stakeholders throughout the R&D&i cycle.
- To develop and maintain an R&D&i Management System based on continuous improvement according to the UNE 166002 Standard that guarantees compliance with all the requirements that apply to us.

The IIB Sant Pau's Management intends this R&D&i Policy to be the basis for all future innovation-related actions at the institute, as well as for the innovation objectives defined.

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